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Hongkong, September 27, 1881.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE,
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Finest ISIGNY BUTTER.
NORLEY PRATT'S VERMOUTH.
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Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
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BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

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200 kegs FINE FURNISHING
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150 cases SPIRITS of TURPENTINE.
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Hongkong, September 24, 1881.

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STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE
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THE S. S. SUMIDA MARU, Capt.
HUBNER, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 11th November, at 4 p.m.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at
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No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
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Entertainment.

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THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING,
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UNPRECEDENTED IN THE ANNALS
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THE VERDICT OF ONE OF THE LARGEST
AUDIENCES EVER SEEN IN HONGKONG.

WILLARD'S "WANDERERS"
"COMPANY."
Will appear as above.

MISS ANNIE BERSFORD,
Soubrette, Vocalist and Dancerette.
MISS VERA LYLE,
Boulesque Actress and National Vocalist.
MISS CONSTANCE CARLTON,
Soubrette and Dancerette.

THE SISTERS CARLTON,
Dialect and Society Sketch Artists.
MISS ALICE VERNIE,
Soubrette and Dancerette.

MR. PEMBERTON WILLARD,
Character Comedian, Instrumentalist
and Troupian Artist.
MR. NEIL CARLTON,
Eccentric Lead.

The following REPERTOIRE will be selected
from during our stay here:—
Forty Thieves (Burlesque); ROBINSON
ROY, or, Scorching hot not Kilt (Bur.);
Don Juan Junior (Bur.); JOAN OF ARC
(Bur.); LIZ (Drama); PROMISAL and GAL-
LATIA (Com.);
Under the Rose, —Sweethearts, &c., &c.

Dress Circle and Stalls, \$2; Pit, \$1.
Soldiers in uniform Half-Price to Back
Seats only.
Doors open at 8.30; Commence at 9 p.m.
Proprietor, Mr. PEMBERTON W. WILLARD,
& Manager.

Reserved Seats and Plan to be seen at
Messrs KELLY & WALSH'S.
Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.

Hongkong, November 10, 1881. no13

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
TOKYO will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on or about
the 30th November, 1881, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
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Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On prepaid RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS a
Reduction of 25 % is made.
Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the 29th Instant. Parcel Passages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day; all Parcel Passages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 50, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Gen. Agent for China & Japan.
Hongkong, November 4, 1881. no30

Insurances.

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND
MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).
Unlimited Liability of Shareholders.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, and
being authorized to accept FIRE and MARINE
RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual
Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

Intimations.

NEWS FOR HOME.
The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China).
PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE
IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely-
printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from
the Daily China Mail, is published
twice a month on the morning of the
English Mail's departure, and is a re-
cord of each fortnight's current history
of events in China and Japan, con-
tributed in original reports and collated
from the journals published at the various
ports in those countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai,
Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete
Commercial Summary.

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BARR, Chinese Mail Office, 2, Wyndham
Street, not later than noon of the day the
English Mail steamer leaves.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily
China Mail.

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.00.
'COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW,'
By E. R. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KILBY & WALSH
BARR, Chinese Mail Office, 2, Wyndham
Street, & Co., Hongkong, and at the
China Mail Office.

Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"Peruvia,"
Capt. NAGLE, will be
despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 11th Instant, at
2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong, November 10, 1881. no11

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship
"Emeralda,"
Capt. TALBOT, will be
despatched for the above
Port on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant, at
2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
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Hongkong, November 10, 1881. no12

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.
The Steamship
"Suez,"
Capt. W. M. DODD,
will be despatched for
the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th
Instant, at 3 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommoda-
tion for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, November 10, 1881. no17

STEAMSHIP "CATERINA II,"
FROM ANTWERP.

THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to
present their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods from longshore.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
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TO BE LET OR SOLD.
(Possession on 1st DECEMBER NEXT.)
TWO Newly Built Detached HOUSES
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Rooms, Bathrooms, and Outbuildings. Gas
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Not Responsible for Debts.
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officer or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

B. H. STEINKE'S German brig, Captain
C. Meyer.—To On & Co.
BYGLIA, German barque, Captain F. A.
Andersen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
EDMUND PRINCE, Amer. barque, Capt.
John Berry.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
ELVIRA DOVALE, Hawaiian ship, Captain
Jose M. Pimentel.—Captain.

F. NIGHTINGALE, British barque, Captain
A. McIntyre.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
HARVARD, American barque, Captain
Samuel Pray.—Captain.

HOPE, American ship, Captain H. Curtis.
—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
LAURENS, American ship, Capt. A. Snow.
—Melchers & Co.
SOUTHERN, British barque, Captain Fred.
H. Williams.—Captain.

SYREN, American ship, Captain G. W.
Brown.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
VORWARTS, German steamer, Captain
H. Evers.—Wiele & Co.

SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
Nov. 9, *Erk Koid*, German barque, 466.
A. Naurech, Shanghai Nov. 3, Beans—
Stemmen & Co.
Nov. 9, *Mifner*, German brig, 319, P.
Dahne, Newchwang Oct. 23, Beans—
Melchers & Co.
Nov. 9, *Kang-shi*, Chinese steamer, 688.
R. C. Marsden, Haiphong Nov. 7, and
Rohow 8, Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Nov. 9, *Chinking*, British steamer, 977.
S. M. Orr, Shanghai Nov. 6, General and
Treasure (\$75,000).—Stemmen & Co.
Nov. 9, *Wm. Mackinnon*, Dutch steamer,
750, T. Orelli, Amoy Nov. 8, General—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Nov. 10, *Well*, German steamer, 393,
Masmann, Newchwang Nov. 2, Beans—
Meyer & Co.
Nov. 10, *Outland*, British steamer, 710,
John Payne, Chinkiang Nov. 5, Rice—
Russell & Co.
Nov. 10, *Adm. Danish*, steamer, 388, N.
C. Borewick, Amoy Nov. 8, General—
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Nov. 10, *Kwangtung*, British steamer,
674, Young, Foochow Nov. 5, Amoy 7,
and Swatow 9, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK
& Co.
Nov. 10, *Catherina II.*, Russian steamer,
810, Gollart, Manila Nov. 7, General—
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

DEPARTURES.
Nov. 10, *Foram*, for Haiphong.
10, *Cyclops*, for Amoy and Shanghai.
10, *Hainan*, for Haiphong.
10, *Shun-on*, for Haiphong.
10, *Yang-wo*, Chinese corvette, for
Wampoa.
10, *Wolf*, Gen. gunboat, for Hainan.
10, *Oakland*, for Canton.
10, *Chinking*, for Canton.
10, *Japan*, for Singapore, &c.

CLEARED.
Stonewall Jackson, for New York.
Holcom, for Manila.
Louis C. Troop, for Cuba.

PASSENGERS.
Arrived.
Per *Kang-shi*, from Haiphong, 30, Mr.
Tung Ying Sing, and 51 Chinese.
Per *Chinking*, from Shanghai, Messrs.
Talbot, MacLachlan, Gourdin, Morris, Lewis,
Hortsmann, Bilow, Strick, Torgerson, and
Kung (the Chief Justice of Quanzhou), and
75 Chinese.
Per *Wm. Mackinnon*, from Amoy, 5 Chi-
nese.
Per *Adm. Danish*, from Amoy, 28 Chinese.
Per *Kwangtung*, from Coast Ports, Rev.
Dr. Dean, and 110 Chinese.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by the British Contract
Packet.

Day of Departure.—
Nov. 10.—Money Order Office closed.
2.15 p.m.—Post-Office closes. Letters
for Union Countries may be posted on
board the Packet with Late Fee of 40
cents extra Postage until the time of
departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
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Per *Vomara*, for Haiphong, Mr.
Schriever.
Per *Cyclops*, for Amoy, 100 Chinese.
Per *Hainan*, for Haiphong, 50 Chinese.
Per *Japan*, for Singapore, &c., about 150
Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The Chinese steamer *Kong-shi* reports:
Left Haiphong Nov. 9th at midnight; mo-
derate easterly breeze and fine weather.
Arrived at Hoihow at 3 a.m. Nov. 8th.
Left again at 2 p.m. Arrived in Hongkong
at midnight Nov. 9th. Latter part fresh
monsoon and fine weather.

INSURANCES.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling
 of which is paid up £100,000
 Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000
 Annual Income £250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Poochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
 Hongkong, October 16, 1881.

PRUSSIAN NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, OF STETTIN.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company, and are prepared to grant Insurances against FIRE at current rates.

MEYER & Co.
 Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) £20,000,000
 PERMANENT RESERVE FUND £20,000,000
 SPECIAL RESERVE FUND £20,000,000

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd April, 1881, £38,936,17

Directors.
 F. B. FORMER, Esq., Chairman.
 W. M. BOYD, Esq., W. MEYER, Esq.,
 J. H. PINCKNEY, Esq., F. M. HIRSH, Esq.,
 Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
 Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH:
 Messrs BARKING BROTHERS & Co.,
 Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
 68 and 69, Cornhill.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
 Subject to a Charge of 12% for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1881.

THAMES AND MERSEY MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—1, Royal Exchange Buildings, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA for the above Company are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at current rates, allowing usual Discounts.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1881.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1850.
 CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at current Rates. RISKS on First Class Godowns Reduced to 1/2 net premium per annum from this date.

GILMAN & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—
 Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
 Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hauls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or for any other information, apply to—

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
 Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at 1/2 net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.
 Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

Visitors' Column.

We have instituted as an experiment a Visitors' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful to time such means of information, lists, notices and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.

City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum, Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.

The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.

Leitance Club and Library, Shelley St.

Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

St. Peter's Seminary Church, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.

Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.

Sailors' Home, West Point.

E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine House, Queen's Road.

Masonic Hall, Zetland Street.

Victoria Recreation Club—Bath-house and Boat-house, &c.—Pray, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments to the eastward, and cover a large area.

Stores, Books, &c.

American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Cigars.—MACLEWEN, FICKEL & Co.

Chair and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TARIFF OF FEES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Fellows Boats.
 Half hour, 10 cts. Hour, 20 cts.
 Three hours, 50 cts. Six hours, 70 cts.
 Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA PEAK.
 Single Trip.
 Four Coolies, 10 cts.
 Three Coolies, 8 cts.
 Two Coolies, 6 cts.

Return (direct or by Pak-foo-lun).
 Four Coolies, 10 cts.
 Three Coolies, 8 cts.
 Two Coolies, 6 cts.

TO VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA BEAT).
 Single Trip.
 Four Coolies, 10 cts.
 Three Coolies, 8 cts.
 Two Coolies, 6 cts.

Return (direct or by Pak-foo-lun).
 Four Coolies, 10 cts.
 Three Coolies, 8 cts.
 Two Coolies, 6 cts.

Licensed Beasts (each).
 Hour, 10 cts.
 Half day, 35 cts.
 Day, 50 cts.

BOAT AND COOLER HIRE.
 BOATS.
 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900
 piculs, per Day, 30 cts.
 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900
 piculs, per Load, 2 cts.
 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
 piculs, per Day, 20 cts.
 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
 piculs, per Load, 1 cts.
 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
 300 piculs, per Day, 10 cts.
 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
 300 piculs, per Load, 1 cts.
 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
 300 piculs, Half Day, 5 cts.

Sampans.
 or Pullaway Boats, per Day, 10 cts.
 One Hour, 5 cts.
 Half an Hour, 3 cts.

After 6 P.M. 10 cts extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

STREET COTAGES.
 One Day, 30 cts.
 Half Day, 15 cts.
 Three Hours, 12 cts.
 One Hour, 5 cts.
 Half Hour, 3 cts.

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

WASHING BOOKS.
 (In English and Chinese.)

WASHING BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, 1/6 each.

China Mail Office.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised July 1st, 1881.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, trouble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or notices of Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. The Postmaster may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, through Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, bills, copies, &c. The charges on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, the Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The child countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route.
 Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.
 Post Cards, 3 cents each.
 Registration, 10 cents.
 Newspapers, 2 cents each.
 Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.
 Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom, 10.
 Letters, None.
 Newspapers, 2.
 Books & Patterns, 5.

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Nicaragua.
 Letters, 30.
 Registration, None.
 Newspapers, 5.
 Books & Patterns, 5.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension, via London, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.

† There is Registration to British India Islands, 10 cents.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates.
 Letters, 10 cts.
 Post Cards, 3 cts.
 Registration, 10 cts.
 Newspapers, 2 cts.
 Books & Patterns, 5 cts.

(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents.
 (e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, 2 cents.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 P.M. on any week day for address in Victoria, will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressee rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c. of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

Parcels.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as a Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curries, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the sender having often sent more in postage than the value of the contents.

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Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Book rates between any of the Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Peking, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed 1 foot long, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 11 lbs. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, "Parcel, containing no letter," but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.); Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels sent as a general rule forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, unless Registered.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound their facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, or other valuables, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns—to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence, if lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China; that it was caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, or by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handsomely bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1. Money Orders are exchanged with the United Kingdom, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Port Darwin, the Straits Settlements, Western Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with the Japanese Empire. Hongkong also issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

2. Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps, subject to a charge of one per cent. for cashing them.

3. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order* is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the receipt, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departures of the mails.

4. No Order must exceed £10, or \$50, or include any fraction of a penny, unless more than two such orders be issued to the same persons, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrives.